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SUBJECT: CSCE: PREAMBLE TO MEDITERRANEAN DECLARATION

REF: GENEVA 3094

1. MEDITERRANEAN DECLARATION WORKING GROUP AGREED MAY 12
THAT THE FURTHER PREAMBULAR PARAGRAPH, WHOSE TEXT WE REPORTED
PARA 1 REFTEL, WAS READY FOR PROVISIONAL REGISTRATION.

2. MALTESE DELEGATION THEN PRESENTED REVISION VERSION OF
"LAST" PREAMBULAR PARAGRAPH WHICH MALTA, YUGOSLAVIA, AND
CYPRUS PLAN TO INTRODUCE. (EARLIER VERSION REPORTED PARA
2 REFTEL). TEXT UNDERWENT FURTHER TENTATIVE CHANGES IN
INCONCLUSIVE INFORMAL DISCUSSIONS WHICH WILL BE CONTINUED
THIS WEEK. AS CURRENTLY FORMULATED THIS TEXT READS AS
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3. BEGIN QUOTE: BELIEVING THAT THE STRENGTHENING OF SECURITY AND THE INTENSIFICATION OF COOPERATION IN EUROPE WOULD HAVE THE EFFECT OF STIMULATING COMPARABLE PROCESSES IN THE MEDITERRANEAN REGION, AND EXPRESSING THEIR INTENTION TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE FURTHERING OF PEACE AND SECURITY IN THE REGION, IN WHICH THE PARTICIPATING STATES, AND THE NON-PARTICIPATING MEDITERRANEAN STATES SHARE A COMMON INTEREST. END QUOTE.

4. FRG, ITALY, BELGIUM, CANADA AND SOME OTHER WESTERN DELEGATIONS STILL CONSIDER THIS, ALREADY SOMEWHAT MODIFIED VERSION OF NEW MALTESE TEXT TO BE RATHER TROUBLE-SOME. FRG, FOR INSTANCE FINDS ENTIRE PARAGRAPH TOO STRONG, AND THEREFORE WANTS TO WHITTLE DOWN OPERATIVE VERBS, I.E. "BELIEVING" AND "EXPRESSING THEIR INTENTION".

5. A MORE SUBSTANTIVE ISSUE IS REFLECTED IN REFERENCE (IN FIRST CLAUSE OF TEXT) TO "COMPARABLE PROCESSES", WHICH MALTESE, SOVIETS AND FRENCH CLEARLY PREFER TO A MORE BLAND FORMULATION SUCH AS REPLACING WHOLE PHRASE BY "WOULD HAVE POSITIVE EFFECTS", SUGGESTED BY ITALIANS, BELGIANS, CANADIANS AND OURSELVES. IN COURSE CORRIDOR CONVERSATION MALTESE READILY AGREED THAT THEY PREFERRED "COMPARABLE PROCESSES" BECAUSE IT STRESSED SEPERATENESS OF MEDITERRANEAN WORLD AND WOULD NOT, FOR INSTANCE, EXCLUDE POSSIBILITY OF LATER MEDITERRANEAN SECURITY DISCUSSIONS "COMPARABLE" TO CSCE. UNLESS INSTRUCTED TO THE CONTRARY DELEGATION THEREFORE WILL CONTINUE TO SUPPORT SOME LESS PRECISE FORMULATION OF THIS POINT.ABRAMS

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